Let's Continue Our Jihad and Sacrifice

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All praise is due to Allah. We praise Him and seek His aid and forgiveness, and we seek refuge in Allah from the evil in ourselves and from our bad deeds. He whom Allah guides cannot be led astray, and he who is led astray cannot be guided. I bear witness that there is no God other than Allah alone, without partners, and I bear witness that Muhammad is His slave and Messenger.

As for what comes after:

The most truthful of speech is the speech of Allah, and the best guidance is the guidance of Muhammad (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him); and the worst of affairs are innovations [in religion]; and every innovation [in religion] is a heresy; and every heresy is misguidance; and all misguidance is in the Fire.

To proceed:

To my Muslim brothers in Gaza and the rest of Palestine in particular, and my Muslim brothers worldwide in general: peace be upon you and the mercy of Allah and His blessings.

Allah, the Blessed and Most High, says, in His decisive revelation, "And fight the polytheists all together as they fight you all together. And know that Allah is with the Godfearing." (9:36)

Our people in Gaza have experienced some of the most difficult days imaginable, days whose hardness and severity are almost indescribable; and the enemy was amazed and the friend delighted by the resolve of a defenseless people against the savagery of the brothers of monkeys and swine which manifested itself in the ugliest of forms; and so ugly were their crimes that they were condemned by groups and individuals among the Jews, usually bereft of fairness and human emotions. The aggression against Gaza represents a new holocaust and another massacre in the continuing series of criminal massacres which the members of the Zio-Crusader alliance are waging against brothers of ours in Iraq, Afghanistan, Chechnya, Somalia, Palestine, and elsewhere, and we must interact with everything that happens to our brothers in Gaza in this context. In addition, this open-faced aggression and ugly crime against humanity coincided with Obama's rise to power in America, and there should be no doubt that Obama approved the Jewish crime and supported it, as evidenced by his administration beginning to receive security, intelligence and state department briefings the day after his election last November. The Obama administration is an old/new American administration led by a clique of Zionist Jews and Zionized Christians who respect in a believer neither kinship nor covenant. And responsibility for the continuation of the suffering of the people Palestinian people begins in the White House and ends in the palaces of the leaders who collude with the Jews and Christians in suffocating you with the oppressive blockade and burning you with white phosphorous.

Brothers in Gaza and the rest of Palestine: the fact is, mere words aren't sufficient to describe your resolve, patience, sacrifices and heroics. How can words do justice to a vigilant Muslim people which for decades has been sacrificing everything precious and dear in defense of its religion and blood, patiently and seeking its reward; taking lightly killing, destruction and displacement; and neither fazed by adversities nor by treason and desertion.

They have never known defeat at all

Nor become cowardly nor weak

They never turn their backs to the enemies

Nor are they frightened by tyranny and fire

How often they have gone out and been patient

And their adversaries have fled from them

How often they gift their souls to death

And their enemy is dirtied by humiliation and shame

To help their religion, they come one and all

And despite the murder and torture, they march on

They have lifted the banner of truth openly

And the adversary of truth is unable to escape

And I can almost swear that were this defiant people's perseverance and heroism to be distributed to the Muslim Ummah in its entirety, it would suffice it for confronting its enemies for years on end. It is truly a great people which deserves to take its place among the greatest of this Muslim Ummah's peoples and tribes. So may Allah accept your Jihad, sacrifices and martyrs; free your captives; and hasten your deliverance and victory; and it is my hope that you are confirmation of the Hadeeth of the Messenger and Friend of Allah, Muhammad, peace and blessings of Allah be upon him, "A group among my Ummah will continue to fight on Allah's order, overcoming their enemy and unharmed by those who oppose them until the Hour comes upon them and they are thus." Narrated by Muslim in his Saheeh.

So, brothers in Gaza and the rest of Palestine, the source of your honor and greatness is your Islam, your perseverance, your Jihad, your fighting on Allah's order and your belonging truly and truthfully to the Ummah of Islam; and if you don't adhere to Islam as your doctrine and methodology and the Quran and Sunnah as the sole source of legislation, what then is the difference between you and other oppressed peoples, and how numerous they are in our world today, a world in which globalization has become rampant and regimes have become savage. Without a doubt, it is an honor for someone to belong to a holy and blessed land like Palestine and the countries of the Levant, whose virtues, blessings and goodness the Noble Quran and Noble Prophetic Hadeeths mentioned, giving a party among its people the good news of victory and predominance. But soil doesn't make anyone holy, and mere affiliations don't intercede with Allah on anyone's behalf on the day he meets Him, unless he backs them up with good deeds done solely for Allah's sake and in conformance with the Sunnah of His Messenger, peace and blessings of Allah be upon him. Allah, the Omniscient and Omnipotent, has tested you by making you the first line of defense for the first Qibla of the Muslims, al-Aqsa, and their blessed land, Palestine; and liberating it from the hands of the usurpers is a responsibility on your shoulders, in the same way that helping you is a responsibility on our shoulders. And you should know, brothers, that your adherence to the path of truth has the greatest of impacts in displaying Islam in its brightest form and guiding

the peoples to this religion; and how affected I was by those televised scenes of the masked martyrs carrying their funeral shrouds as they prepared to depart and bid farewell to their families and worldly life; and those scenes moved me to find out more about their religion, which motivated them to those great sacrifices, and about their cause, for which they struggle.

So, patient Mujahid brothers in Palestine, continue your Jihad and heroics against the ferocious Zio-Crusader assault on the lands of the Muslims, and hold tightly to your Islam and don't hold on to anything else, lest the numerous paths lead you astray; and don't respond to the calls of the defeatists/deserters/demoralizers, nor the proposals of the secularist betrayers of their religion and sellers of their homeland and people. Political maneuvering, futile negotiations and establishment of governments of national unity which contradict the constants of our faith and Shari'ah are things which everyone is capable of doing, and are not things which noble, defiant heroes do, and there is nothing in them which distinguishes Muslims from the rest: on the contrary, they place the secularist traitor on a par with the Muslim Mujahid. So avoid them, for they are impurities of the Devil's own making.

I would also like to take this opportunity to draw attention to another error into which some of us fall, as we must pay attention to this error and correct it according to reality and Law. This error is differentiation between two equals, and I will mention some examples here. Among them: is unjustifiable differentiation between Zio-Crusader interests within Palestine and Zio-Crusader interests in the rest of the world. Some say that to target the first category is legitimate, whereas targeting the second category isn't legitimate. We might understand if some organization or group prefers not to target [the latter] at a particular time for a particular concern or other legitimate reason, but for targeting of Zio-Crusader interests outside Palestine to be described as illegitimate - and even as corruption on earth and deviation from the body of Muslims – is a mistake which no intelligent Muslim can possibly sanction. Zio-Crusader interests everywhere are legitimate targets for us, and by striking them, we aggravate the enemy's wounds, bleed his crumbling economy, lighten the load for our brothers the Mujahideen in the land of Ribaat, and bring victory and conquest closer with Allah's permission. In addition, the Jewish enemy doesn't abstain from striking us wherever possible, and the recent attacks on the Muslims' realms in the Sudan, and before that in Syria, Lebanon, Iraq and elsewhere, are merely links in the chain of attacks which target us in the heart of our realms. So is it logical after that for us to abstain from striking their interests wherever possible?

There is another unjustifiable differentiation, which is closely related to the one before it. It is differentiation between the Zionist entity and America and other allies of the Jews, in terms of our stance towards them, our treatment of them and our combating of them or otherwise. How can we differentiate between those who kill Muslims in Palestine, and those who defend those who kill Muslims in Palestine with a death-defying defense and support the killers with all types of material, moral and military support? And how can we differentiate between those who kill Muslims in Palestine, and those who kill Muslims in other places on earth – like Iraq, Afghanistan or Chechnya, for example – so we fight the first group while hoping for good from the rest, and we might even ingratiate ourselves to them in hope that they will back our patriotic cause – as some like to call it, although it is a worldwide Islamic cause without a doubt.

Also from this category is differentiation between the Zionist entity and those of the rulers of the Islamic world who revolve in its orbit, be they Arab or non-Arab, who have dedicated themselves to serving their personal interests and fulfilling their greedy desires by serving the interests of America and its ally, the state of the Jews usurping Muslim Palestine. How can we differentiate between those who kill Muslims in Palestine, by tormenting, bombing, starving, and assassinating them, and those who collude with those who kill them in a clear, brazen and barefaced fashion, by closing borders at the behest of the Jews, welcoming delegations to waste efforts, and permitting the slapping of cheeks and ripping of shirts to release popular anger? As for permitting the Muslim peoples to mobilize to liberate the Muslim countries and aid the oppressed, or open military camps for training the youth in preparation for the march against the Jews, it is the most impossible of impossibilities for something like that to come from these rotten regimes; and were they to permit it, the fate of the young volunteers after their return would be hot pursuit, detention, prison, punishment and torture, as occurred to returnees from Afghanistan, Bosnia and other fields in which the Jihad received a type of support from some official regimes. If the regimes wanted to offer anything to the cause of Palestine, they would have decades ago mobilized their paralyzed armies, which only awaken from their coma in order to combat the Ummah's youth whenever they carry out their duty of aiding the oppressed, preparing for Jihad, raising the banner of Shari'ah and rejecting polytheistic laws.

Brothers: as the days pass since the Gaza Holocaust, we might forget some of the pain and bitter memories arising from three weeks of murder and destruction. However, we must never forget these facts about our reality and the reality of the regimes, even if they be painful and bitter. Otherwise, it won't be long before we suffer a new massacre and another holocaust.

There is another category of regimes, regimes which fly the banner of defending the cause of Palestine and standing by its people's side in their confrontation with the Jewish occupation, and which might have connections with some of the resistance parties in the land of Ribaat. But when we investigate and take a good look, we find that they in fact stand in the ranks of Palestine's enemies in one way or another. Among them are regimes which have colluded with the Zio-Crusader coalition in the occupation of Muslim countries like Iraq, Afghanistan, South Lebanon and others, whether by turning a blind eye to the aggression, or through direct cooperation. Among them are regimes which strive to spread destructive esoteric doctrines in the region and pervert the Muslims' creed, and even persecute and repress those of the People of the Sunnah and Majority who are under their jurisdiction. And among them are regimes which directly cooperate with the Zionist entity and hold joint military exercises with it and agree to be led by a malicious Crusader who defends insulting of the Noblest Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) and casting of doubt on Islamic sacred things under the pretext of "freedom of expression." Had the malicious Crusader Rasmussen defended insulting of the Jews – for example – or casting of doubt on the statistics of what is called the Jewish Holocaust, would be secretarygeneral of NATO today? Obviously not.

So, Muslim brothers in Mujahid Palestine: after knowing the reality of this category of regimes, isn't it naive for us to be deceived by their flying of the flag of the Palestinian cause, to say nothing of us considering them and their leaders to be our "political role-models" or our "spiritual godfathers"?!

Those deceptive regimes have been tried and tested, and their scheming, plotting, treason and hostility is well known, and anyone who wants to lead the march of Jihad to victory and conquest must be knowledgeable and informed about the reality of the regimes so he can beware of them and their plots and disown them and their acts of hostility against Islam and Muslims and their ruling by other than the Law of the Lord of the worlds. If, on the other hand, he wants the Jihad for the liberation of Palestine and other realms of Islam to revolve in a vicious circle, so that there is no end to the hardship, killing and displacement, and no rising of the dawn of victory and empowerment, then let him maintain those connections, and let him think well of the snakes, and let him be bitten from the same hole over and over again. And whoever has a custom and methodology like this, then let him be avoided by everyone who strives to achieve Allah's pleasure by adhering to His Law in all of life's affairs and therefore achieve victory, which comes from Allah, the All-Powerful and All-Wise, and not from any human. And as has been emphasized by our great leaders, those with experience and knowledge of Jihad, like the martyred Shaykh Abdullah Azzam (may Allah

have mercy on him): whenever help and assistance from the people of earth lessens, peoples' reliance on Allah alone increases and so help and assistance comes down from heaven and conquest and victory approaches.

Do we desire from unbelief victory and honor

And ask a scoundrel to shield us from disaster?

Do you hope for sympathy from unbelief? Never!

And does a lamb enjoy life among wolves?

So unsheathe the swords of Jihad and arise

For victory is only through the march of armies

So, Muslim brothers in Mujahid Palestine: disowning the enemies of the Islamic faith who collude in the spilling of our blood, and performing Jihad against them until Allah's word is supreme, isn't just at the heart of our Islam, but is also one of the demands of manliness and chivalry, which takes precedence over all imagined interests and worldly ties. And let me here tell you something about myself and my biography, in which there is benefit and a lesson [for you], Allah willing. Your speaker has Jews in his ancestry, the last of whom was his grandfather. My grandfather was a Zionist, and a zealous supporter of the usurper entity, and a prominent member of a number of Zionist hate organizations. He used to repeat to me what he claimed are the virtues of this entity and encourage me to visit it, specifically the city of Tel Aviv, where relatives of ours live. He also presented me with a copy of the book A Place Among The Nations, by the rabid Zionist Netanyahu, in which he puts forth his feeble arguments and unmasked lies to justify the Jews' rape of Muslim Palestine. As you know, it is possible for the grandson of a Jew to acquire Israel citizenship immediately, even if he isn't himself Jewish, along with what accompanies it in terms of worldly incentives and opportunities, in accordance with the Zionist Law of Return. But how can a person with an ounce of self-respect possibly stand in the ranks of criminals and killers who have no morals, no mercy, no humanity and indeed, no honor? Isn't it embarrassing and shameful enough for a person to carry the citizenship of America, the symbol of oppression and tyranny and advocate of terror in this world? So that's why, despite my young age at the time and the fact that I wasn't yet a Muslim, I didn't respond to my grandfather's call, and perhaps this is from Allah's kindness to me and His taking care of me. I also praise and thank Him (the Glorious) for the favor of Islam and I am honored that He has placed me in the ranks of those who perform Jihad against Zio-Crusader terrorism

everywhere and combat its agents without leniency and without respect for national ties or material or political interests. On the contrary, the benefit – all the benefit – is in adherence to the body of Muslims and departure from the path of the unbelievers and separation from them, even if they be the nearest of relatives. Allah, the Blessed and Most High, says, "There is for you an excellent example in Abraham and those with him, when they said to their people, 'We are innocent of you and of what you worship beside Allah; we have rejected you, and there has begun between us and you enmity and hatred forever, unless you believe in Allah Alone.'" (60:4)

So, brothers, be with the people of truth who ally themselves to the truth and its people, and don't be with those who have betrayed Allah and Islam and betrayed their trusts and allied themselves to falsehood and stood with those who make war on Allah, His Messenger and the believers. Disown these traitors, and disown their allies, agents, regimes, constitutions and laws, and strive against them in the cause of Allah as it behooves you to strive against them, and fight the polytheists all together as they fight you all together, and know that your brothers the Mujahideen are with you, not just with our hearts, no! But with our weapons, funds and Jihad against the Jews and their allies everywhere. And we shall defend you and your families and children with our chests and necks, and we shall return to the Muslims their Palestine and their al-Aqsa on our skulls and limbs, Allah permitting.

Before concluding, I advise myself and my Muslim brothers in general and the Mujahideen in particular, in Palestine and elsewhere, with what our leaders have advised themselves and their brothers: to fear Allah (the Glorious and Great) secretly and openly, and to do good and acts of obedience and abandon open and hidden disobedience and sins; and I remind you of the compulsoriness of listening and obeying except in sin, and that there is no obedience to a created being in disobedience to the Creator, so follow the truth wherever it is found, and don't blindly follow men and organizations. Also, you must learn your creed and the rules of your religion, and judge according to the purified Law and rule with it alone in all of your affairs; and beware of chasing after licenses, the errors of scholars and the heresies of the ignorant; instead, you must adhere to caution, the methodology of the pious predecessors. Beware of imitating the unbelievers openly and secretly, and imitate the noble ones, for in that is success. Do good to people and deal with them with lofty Islamic ethics, and remember the status of the Muslim in Allah's eyes and his sacrosanctity which exceeds that of the venerable Ka'aba. And don't rush in passing judgments on people and making accusations against them without knowledge or proof, for there is nothing which turns people away from the Jihad and Mujahideen more than the passing of unfair judgments on

individuals and groups. Unite, persevere, and be resolute, and Allah gives us victory, and He suffices us and is the best of Guardians.

Ummah of Islam: the old/new Zionist warlord, Netanyahu, on June 18th, 1996, in his address before the Jewish Knesset on the occasion of the appointment of his first government, said the following: "I declare here that we oppose the description of Islam as the enemy of Israel and the West after the fall of the Soviet Union. Along with political discussions between Israel and the countries in the region, we must add a parley between Judaism and Islam. We extend our hand in peace not only to our Arab neighbors, but to all Moslem countries and Islamic peoples. We have no conflict with Islam. We have a struggle with militant forces, who use their distorted interpretation of Islam as a tool for violence, hatred, and bloodshed." So end the words of the impudent liar.

Ummah of Islam: how similar these words of Netanyahu are to the statements of Obama in his inaugural address last January, and more recently, during his tour of Turkey, when he claimed that America never has been and never will be in a war with Islam, in addition to other deceptive, false and sugarcoated words of endearment and respect, with which Obama hopes to divert the eyes of the world in general and the Muslims in particular from the ugly and continuing crimes of the Crusaders in Iraq, Afghanistan, Palestine and other lands of Islam. Obama also wants, with this deceptive, false and sugarcoated talk, to turn the Muslims away from their Jihadi awakening, which has begun to bear its fruit militarily, economically and informationally, by the grace of Allah the Glorious and Great and then by the grace of the Ummah's backing of its sons the Mujahideen, which is the backing which greatly hurts the enemies of Islam. Obama also hopes, by repeating his lies, to protect the West's interests as represented by filling its coffers with the plundered wealth of the Muslims by way of the corrupt rulers of the countries of Islam. And the one who looks at the track record and behavior of the state known as Israel from Netanyahu's address to this very day will know the truth about peace and dialogue as seen by Netanyahu and his rogue state, and will also know the truth about Obama's words, which are in reality duplicate copies of words spoken by Bush Jr., Bush Sr., Clinton and a number of American presidents before their election, after their election and as they slid into history's garbage heap.

And here, Ummah of Islam, you have seen the truth about Obama in the Gaza Holocaust which he approved, and in Muslim Palestine which he wants to be Judaized, and in Afghanistan and the Pakistani tribal areas which he bombed and is bombing, and to which Obama, Rasmussen and their NATO allies have threatened to send more forces of the Cross to increase the spilling of the blood of the Muslim people in it and to erase the hallmarks of

Islam from it – may Allah foil their efforts, throw their plotting back in their faces, and place their destruction in their planning. And as Muslims, the basic rule for us is that our appraisal of individuals is neither through their ancestry, nor their names, nor their mere words, but rather, through the truthfulness of their statements and actions; and Allah (the Blessed and Most High) said, "And a believing slave is better than an idolater, although he may please you" (2:221); and the Prophet (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) said, "Allah doesn't look at your faces and wealth" – and in one narration, "At your bodies" – "but He looks at your hearts and actions." Narrated by Muslim. And he (peace and blessings of Allah be upon him) said, in the authentic Hadeeth, "O people, your Lord is one, and your father is one. There is no superiority to an Arab over a non-Arab, nor a non-Arab over an Arab, nor a white man over a black man nor a black man over a white man except through fear of Allah. 'Verily, the most honored of you in the sight of Allah is he who is the most righteous of you.' (49:13)"

So Ummah of Islam, even if Obama, Bush, Brown, Blair, Rasmussen, Netanyahu and other tyrants like them have made light of their peoples, who have obeyed them and are wicked peoples, it doesn't behoove you, my Ummah, when you are the Ummah of honor and defiance, the Ummah of knowledge, understanding and awareness, the Ummah of the definitive argument and clear proof, the Ummah of loyalty and disloyalty and pure monotheistic creed, to be deceived by chiefs of Unbelief like them who neither respect in you kinship nor covenant. The Most High says, "But if they violate their oaths after their covenant, and slander your faith, then fight the chiefs of Unbelief, for their oaths are nothing to them, that thus they may be restrained." (9:12) So – O defiant Ummah, O best Ummah raised up for the people – continue to back your Jihad with funds and men, for Allah has made that obligatory upon the Muslims, saying, "Go forth [whether equipped] lightly or heavily, and strive and struggle with your goods and your persons in the cause of Allah. That is best for you, if you but knew." (9:41)

And our final prayer is that all praise is for Allah, Lord of the worlds, and may Allah send prayers and peace upon our Master Muhammad and upon his family, companions and followers. And may peace be upon you and the mercy of Allah and His blessings.